

GREEK CABINET FORCED OUT BY WAR PARTY, IS ROME RUMOR

Greek Legation Unable to Confirm Collapse of Zaimis Ministry—May Presage Decision to Join Allies.

Breach Between Allies and Greece Hinted At Should Operations in Balkans Be Interfered With By Athens.

ROME, Oct. 26.—The Zaimis cabinet at Athens has resigned, rumors reaching here say. If true, it is taken as meaning the Greek war party's triumph, and that Greece will join the allies immediately. The Greek legation has no information, however.

BERLIN (via Sayville wireless), Oct. 26.—Attempted popular demonstrations yesterday to force Roumania into the war on the side of the quadruple entente failed completely, and the allies' Roumanian friends are deeply depressed. Bucharest advices said today.

INVADERS MOVE SOUTH.
AMSTERDAM (via London), Oct. 26.—Bulgarians have taken Negotin and Preheve, southern Serbia, said a message filed in Sofia on Sunday and received here today. From other accounts it is thought that the Serbians, helped by the allies, may have expelled them later.

Accompanied by incessant fighting, the Austro-German drive through Serbia progresses steadily, according to an official Vienna bulletin. Not only are the invaders rolling southward, but the east and west lengths of their front is being extended constantly today by fresh crossings of the northern frontier rivers. The Bulgarians are fighting their way to a junction with the Austro-German forces in the northeast.

Valjevo Captured.
South of Palanka, which is eighteen miles to the southward of the Danube river town of Semendria, the Germans have stormed and taken the Serbian position. They have occupied Petrovac, eighteen miles east of Palanka.

Austrian cavalry has entered Valjevo. This capture showed how far to the westward the invaders' front has been extended. Valjevo is twenty-five miles south of the Save river and thirty east of the Drina, or about eighty miles west of the Teutonic left wing.

General von Kovacs' Austro-German army is approaching Aranzelovac, thirty-three miles a little east of south of Belgrade.

An especially hot encounter with the Serbs is reported at Ratari, just south-west of Palanka, where the Serbs were defeated.

The Serbians were beaten also by the Bulgarians along a front between (Continued on Second Page.)

NEW NAVAL PLANES ARRIVE IN FLORIDA

Dirigible Also To Be Delivered Next Month, Says Secretary Daniels.

Increasing activity by the Navy Department in respect to aviation was indicated today, when Secretary Daniels announced receipt of new planes at the Navy Aeronautic Station at Pensacola, Fla.

Not only this, but the new dirigible which is being built for the navy will be delivered the coming month.

Secretary Daniels intends to dwell in his recommendations to Congress on the importance of building up the aviation service. He made it clear today that the navy aviation service was intended to meet navy needs and not to outrun the field of aviation for the army.

The North Carolina is to be kept at Pensacola permanently, or for a long period, to be used as an aviation ship.

Liner Moved to Port.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Oct. 26.—The Mailory liner Colorado, which caught fire yesterday off Cape Roman, was towed into harbor here this morning after the blaze had been extinguished by tugs. The ship's upper structure was destroyed and of her 6,000-bale cargo of cotton ruined.

18 in Jail Break; Only 2 Captured

Negroes Escape at Knoxville. Reward Offered for Police Chief's Slayer.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Oct. 26.—Eighteen negroes broke jail here a short time before midnight. Two were captured, but the others still remain at large. A \$100 reward has been offered by officials for the capture of Deaderick Zeguines, sentenced to death in connection with the killing of Captain of Police Campbell at Johnson City.

HUGE GERMAN PLOT BARED BY GOMPERS

Labor Federation Head Tells President of New Plan to Tie Up Arms Plants.

Concealing the real purpose of his call behind a statement that it concerned labor legislation to be introduced at the coming session of Congress, Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, today laid before President Wilson the details of a new and gigantic plot on the part of German agents in this country to tie up munitions factories making war supplies for the allies.

"Confronted with the direct question as to whether he had discussed these matters with the President, Gompers said:

"I cannot tell you anything further than I have given you, namely, that I talked with the President about labor legislation and other matters."

From other sources, however, it is learned that Mr. Gompers was able to give the President information concerning not only the recently exposed plot in New York, involving a scheme of German agents to blow up ships carrying war munitions to England, France, and Russia, but likewise of widespread activities to bring about walkouts in certain of the largest munitions plants in this country.

It is regarded as possible that the matter may be discussed at the coming annual convention of the American Federation of Labor in San Francisco.

According to Mr. Gompers he laid before the President bills prepared by the executive committee of the federation providing for Federal aid for industrial and vocational training and the general subject of the conservation of human life in industrial plants. The executive committee, which will submit its program to the convention next month, Mr. Gompers will leave himself free to discuss the matter.

It was through information which the president of the Federation of Labor gave to President Wilson some months ago that the Government was able to circumvent the plots of the German and Austrian agents at Bridgeport and other munitions centers and eventually to work up the case against Dr. Dumba, the former Austrian ambassador, who was recalled at the request of this country.

GERMANS STRIVE TO REGAIN LA COURTINE

French Resist Desperate Counter-Attacks in Champagne Region.

PARIS, Oct. 26.—Stubbornly resisting desperate German counter-attacks the French remain in possession of La Courtine, the highest important defense in front of the Kaiser's second position in Champagne, the war office reported today.

The struggle is still in progress, with but slight fluctuations, the Gallie troops blocking all German assaults. A brisk attack northeast of Massiges was said to have made the French masters of still another trench.

"In the near east," said the communiqué, "the Bulgarians have been repulsed in the Strumitsa region. The statement that they threw the French back on the right bank of the river Vardar is false."

With the positions, some French troops were made prisoners. One small trench northeast of La Mesnil remains in French hands, said the statement.

"Cavell Recruits" Still Rush to Arms

Nurse's Execution Continues Great Spur to Enlistment in England.

LONDON, Oct. 26.—The rush of enlistment which started following Miss Edith Cavell's execution at Brussels, was uninterrupted today.

U. S. OFFICIALS TAKE CONTROL OF BOMB PLOT CASE IN N. Y.

Inquiry Passes From Hands of New York Police—Two Prisoners Appear At Short Hearing in Weehawken, N. J.

Fay When Arrested Had "Eye on Biggest Munitions Plant," Seib Tells Officers—Max Breitung Sought.

NEW YORK, Oct. 26.—The Federal Government today took complete charge of the investigation of the alleged conspiracy to blow up trans-Atlantic vessels, carrying war munitions to Germany's enemies.

Robert Fay, alleged Prussian army lieutenant, who confessed important details to the plot, and Walter Scholz, his brother-in-law, were turned over to Federal authorities by Magistrate Rander at Weehawken, N. J. They will be arraigned before a United States commissioner in New York this afternoon.

"The Government's interests will be best served if the court turn these men over to us," William J. Flynn, chief of the Federal Secret Service, told the New Jersey magistrate. "This is a matter of grave importance."

TELL OF OTHER THREATS.
Paul Daeché, the third man under arrest, was not turned over to the Federal authorities. Daeché's attorneys refused to waive his rights and he will be given a hearing before a Federal district court in New Jersey.

The court proceedings lasted only a few minutes. Flynn served Fay and Scholz with warrants charging violation of the Federal statutes regarding attempts to destroy ships at sea. The two men then entered a taxicab with Flynn and Captain Tunney of the New York bomb squad, and were driven to New York. Seib was taken to Jersey City for a hearing before Federal authorities there.

New York detectives declared today that they were informed that Fay had once threatened to destroy one of the largest chemical plants in the United States, his object being to interfere with the manufacture of war munitions. Their informant, they said, was a man named Paul Seib, who is to be one of the Government's witnesses in the conspiracy plot investigation.

Search For Fifth Man.
Police and Secret Service activity today centered on the search for Max Breitung, a fifth member of the alleged conspiracy.

Breitung, secretary and treasurer of the Oil Well Supply Company, of 80 West street, is said to have supplied a large part of a fund of \$30,000, which (Continued on Second Page.)

EXPORTS FOR WEEK REACH \$100,000,000

Figure Passed For First Time In History, and Balance in Trade Is \$70,000,000.

For the first time in the nation's history the exports for a single week have exceeded \$100,000,000, and the balance of trade has risen above \$70,000,000.

Officials figures made public today by the Department of Commerce giving the nation's foreign business for the week ending October 23, and the three weeks preceding, show stupendous totals.

ROTTEN FIRE HOSE IS BLAMED FOR DEATHS

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 26.—Bursting of rotten hose, it was charged today, delayed the work of the fire fighters at the Union Box Factory fire yesterday, in which twelve girls and one man lost their lives. The ruins are being searched today but no other bodies have been found.

Federal, State and county authorities joined in the investigation of charges that ample safety arrangements had not been provided, and that the fire apparatus was inadequate. Mayor Armstrong appointed a special investigator.

Cyprus Offer Lapses Since Greece Delayed

LONDON, Oct. 26.—The allies' offer of Cyprus to Greece has lapsed because Greece had not seen its way to helping Serbia, Foreign Minister Sir Edward Grey told the house of commons today.

A diplomatic break between Greece and the allies is hinted at by the Central News today as a possibility, if allied operations in the Balkans are interfered with by the Greeks' interpretation of their neutrality and by the attitude that their treaty with Serbia does not require them to come to the Serbs' aid against Bulgaria.

ARMY ORGANIZED BY MEXICAN RAIDERS

Border Terrorists Not Simply Robbers, But Band Working For "Independent Texas."

BROWNSVILLE, Oct. 26.—The Mexican bandits who have been raiding Texas territory for several months constitute a regularly organized "army" of over 500 men, divided into companies of forty to sixty each, according to information furnished border authorities today. Their object is to secure liberty and independence for Mexicans in Texas. Robbery and looting are of secondary importance.

This information came through an alleged confession of Cheno Flores, who was arrested in connection with last Monday night's train wreck and held near El Paso. Flores not only admitted participation in the affair, but implicated several other Mexicans, many of them prominent citizens. Luciane Chapo, who was arrested with Flores, denied the latter's story.

Flores has given the name of the man who he says, was leader of the company that attacked the train near Omito. The members are leaders of the company, and the latter's story.

For the first time since the trial opened, Mellen chatted and shook hands with several of the indicted directors, taking advantage of a delay in the trial.

He identified and explained a letter written to him in 1904 by Chauncey M. Depew, then president of the New York Central, complaining about the withdrawal by the New Haven of certain rates. Mellen explained that the change had been made because the New York Central had violated a rate agreement with his road.

Mellen explained the agreement later entered into by the two roads, for the use of the Grand Central Terminal, providing that neither line should bring into the terminal the cars of a competitor of either road.

It was pointed out to the witness that the New York Central was permitted to bring cars from Pittsfield via Chattanooga to the Grand Central Terminal. Mellen said competition over the Pittsfield-New York business was not enough "to make a fuss about," but he said the New York Central was not permitted to bring cars from Boston via Pittsfield and Brewster to the Grand Central Terminal. He said the terminal arrangement between the two roads was entirely legal.

To Try Albany to Hatteras Flight

ALBANY, Oct. 26.—Beryl H. Kendrick, an aviator, expects to fly from here to Cape Hatteras within the time limit of ten hours in competition for the Curtiss flying trophy. Kendrick will go in a 100 horse-power Curtiss flying boat which was used by him in carrying passengers at Atlantic City during the summer.

The start will be made at 8:30 o'clock tomorrow morning. The machine is now being assembled on the river beach in Hensseler, opposite Albany. A train will be used by him in carrying passengers at Atlantic City during the summer.

Mr. Kendrick is successful he will win \$5,000 as a personal prize and will have first claim on the Curtiss trophy, which includes a yearly prize of \$1,000 to the winner. Vincent Astor has been mentioned as a possible contender for the trophy.

Autumn Outing to Luray Caverns, Sunday, October 31st. Special train Lv. Washington 8:10 a. m. Alexandria 8:27 a. m. Round trip. Southern Railway.

CAPITAL MUST PROVE IT IS NOT UNDERTAXED, SAYS RAINEY AT PROBE



THEODORE W. NOYES.

MELLEN TO END HIS ITALIAN AVIATORS TESTIMONY TODAY BOMBARD TRIESTE

U. S. Expects to Obtain Most Important Evidence From Former New Haven Head. Vienna Admits Shelling of City. Two Persons Killed and Twelve Wounded.

NEW YORK, Oct. 26.—Charles S. Mellen, former president of the New Haven, is expected to conclude the first half of his testimony today in the trial of former and present directors of the road on charges of conspiracy. It is his fourth day on the stand.

In four days of examination, Mellen has told of New Haven transactions from the time he first entered the railway's employ until he went West. He is to be followed by witnesses who will testify regarding the administrative affairs of former Presidents Clark and John W. Hart.

Mellen was questioned about New Haven affairs under his presidency. The Government expects to obtain its most important evidence on cross-examination at this time.

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\$300,000 Gift Made To Want Ad. Bride

William H. Burden, 76, Presents Big Sum to Wife of 28 He Won in Georgia.

ATLANTA, Ga., Oct. 26.—William H. Burden, of New York, who was married here to Miss Lila Douglas Thomson, won his bride by means of a want advertisement.

Mr. Burden is seventy-six years old. He has been a widower for several years and has adult grandchildren. The bride is twenty-eight years old. It is generally reported that Mr. Burden won his bride just before the wedding ceremony.

The bride is a niece of the late W. S. Thomson, of Atlanta, and of Mrs. Leonidas F. Scott, of Decatur, with whom she has made her home since childhood. She got a substantial estate after her parents died, but most of this was spent on her art studies in Philadelphia, and she recently began to consider earning a livelihood by her own efforts.

Mr. Burden's children came to Atlanta from Macon and tried to stop the marriage, even begging Miss Thomson not to wed the aged man. Both Mr. Burden and Miss Thomson, however, insisted that their marriage concerned only themselves. After the ceremony yesterday the couple left for New York, where they will live.

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COMMITTEE TO FIND SHARE OF EXPENSES U. S. SHOULD PAY

Not to Determine How Capital's Taxes Compare With Other Cities, Says Works.

"MECCA FOR MILLIONAIRES"

Chilton Asks If Wealthy Men Come Here to Dodge Taxes on Personality.

That the impression prevails throughout the country that residents of the District are under-taxed, and this is an issue which must be met by citizens here and the Congressmen, investigating committee, was the statement made today by Congressman Rainey during the inquiry into the fiscal relations between the District and Federal Governments.

In a colloquy with Theodore W. Noyes and Henry B. F. Macfarland, of the citizens' committee, Congressman Rainey, as a member of the investigating board, said:

"Somehow the impression has gone throughout the country that the citizens of Washington have escaped taxation; that on account of the fact they can always rely on the Federal Government to assume any burdens they may have imprudently laid upon themselves, they have not been careful in making contracts for certain improvements and that they are paying more money than other cities for municipal improvements. That is an impression which you must prepare to meet, and that is why I am so interested in the subject of taxation here."

CALLS IMPRESSION WRONG.

Former Commissioner Macfarland replied that this impression is "absolutely erroneous" and that S. Worthington interpreted with the statement that Washington pays less for its street improvement than any other comparable city in the country.

Prior to this Mr. Rainey had referred to repeated charges in Congress that Washington was undertaxed and said:

"I may say I have been amazed by the completeness with which you, Mr. Noyes, and Mr. Macfarland have so far refuted these charges."

Just before the luncheon recess, Congressman Rainey, who took a leading part in the investigation today, said:

"My mind is open on this half-and-half question. I believe the people of citizens throughout the country want their capital maintained at its present level. If it is maintained, we pay our per capita local taxes and we pay our proportion of national taxes, just like any other citizens."

Mr. Noyes referred to the contribution of the District to police, and afforded fire protection to Government property as well as District property.

Taxed For Parks.
The District, he said, also contributed to the upkeep of parks.

Mr. Rainey then enumerated the following things which he said went to make up a national capital: Public buildings and squares about them, monuments and memorials, art galleries, parks, botanic gardens, zoos. (Continued on Page Six.)